

**I'm going to ...**

I'm going to watch TV this evening.



■ We use **am/is/are going to ...** for the *future*:

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| <b>am</b><br><b>is</b><br><b>are</b> | I<br>he/she/it<br>we/you/they | <b>going to</b> | buy ... ?<br>eat ... ?<br>wear ... ? |
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I decided to do it —————→ **I'm going to do it** —————→  
past present future

- I'm going to buy some books tomorrow.
- Sarah is going to sell her car.
- I'm not going to have breakfast this morning. I'm not hungry.
- What are you going to wear to the party on Saturday?
- 'Your hair is dirty.' 'Yes, I know. I'm going to wash it.'
- Are you going to invite John to your party?

- Look at the sky! **It's going to rain.**  
(black clouds *now* → rain)
- Oh dear! It's 9 o'clock and I'm not ready.  
**I'm going to be late.**  
(9 o'clock *now* and not ready → late)



■ We also use the *present continuous* (**I am -ing**) for the future, usually for arrangements  
(► Unit 21):  
– **I am playing** tennis with Jack tomorrow.

## UNIT 22 Exercises

### 22.1 What are these people going to do?



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| 1 She's going to watch TV. | 4 ..... |
| 2 He .....                 | 5 ..... |
| 3 They .....               | 6 ..... |

### 22.2 Are you going to do these things tomorrow?

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| 1 (buy a car)               | I'm not going to buy a car. (or ...I'm going to buy a car...) |
| 2 (get up before 6.30)      | I .....                                                       |
| 3 (have breakfast)          | I .....                                                       |
| 4 (watch TV in the morning) | .....                                                         |
| 5 (cook a meal)             | .....                                                         |
| 6 (ride a bicycle)          | .....                                                         |

### 22.3 Make questions. Use ... going to ...

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| 1 (what / you / wear / to the party?)    | What are you going to wear to the party..... ? |
| 2 (when / you / visit me again?)         | ..... ?                                        |
| 3 (what time / Tom / phone you tonight?) | ..... ?                                        |
| 4 (how long / your friends / stay here?) | ..... ?                                        |
| 5 (what time / you / get up tomorrow?)   | ..... ?                                        |

### 22.4 Complete the sentences. Use ... going to + one of these verbs:

eat   give   lie   rain   study   walk   wash

- My hair is dirty. I'm going to wash..... it.
- I don't want to go home by bus. I .....
- John's university course begins in October. He ..... engineering.
- Take an umbrella with you. It .....
- I'm hungry. I ..... this sandwich.
- It's Val's birthday next week. We ..... her a present.
- I feel tired. I ..... down for an hour.